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1. This photo intelligence report is a study of alternate truckable roads to Route 23 in the area between Route 121 and B. Kok Tong, Laos (WD795755). Truckable trails and roads that were observed are depicted on the enclosed annotated overlay (CIA/PID/IB-P-612/65).

2. The following are the two truckable roads that were observed in this area:

a. The longer of the two truckable roads runs generally SE from its junction with Route 121 at WE226250 to B. Phou Souang Man (WD671898), and then NE to Route 23 near B. Nam Ka Po (WD685925).

b. The second truckable road observed in this area runs generally SE from its junction with Route 121 at WE447163 to Route 23 at B. Na Khung (WE539088).

3. These two truckable roads (a and b above) are unimproved and do not appear to be extensively used. They appear to be moderately used, and then not by large convoys. Probable supply and support type facilities in this area are located at B. Phou Souang Man (WD671898), B. Na Nhom (WD784835), near B. Nam Ka Po (WD685925), and near Ban Kok Tong at WD79976 and WD798758.

4. No alternate truckable route was observed going directly to B. Kok Tong. Wheeled vehicles do leave Route 23 at B. Kok Tong but they apparently travel only 1 SM west to B. Tho (WD786759) and then rejoin Route 23 south of B. Na Koke (WD797767). No wheeled vehicle activity was noted running west from B. Tho, or west from B. Na Nhom (WD784835). Although no wheeled vehicle activity was observed west of these two locations, the trails and terrain are of such a nature to be truckable in dry weather. There is only one trail in this area that appears to be in heavy use (possibly occasionally by wheeled vehicles), and it runs from B. Tho (WD786759) generally parallel to the Se Bai (River). The limits of photographic coverage made it impossible to trace this trail beyond Tham Kuane (WD349824).

ENCLOSURE:

- 1 Annotated Overlay with Two Maps
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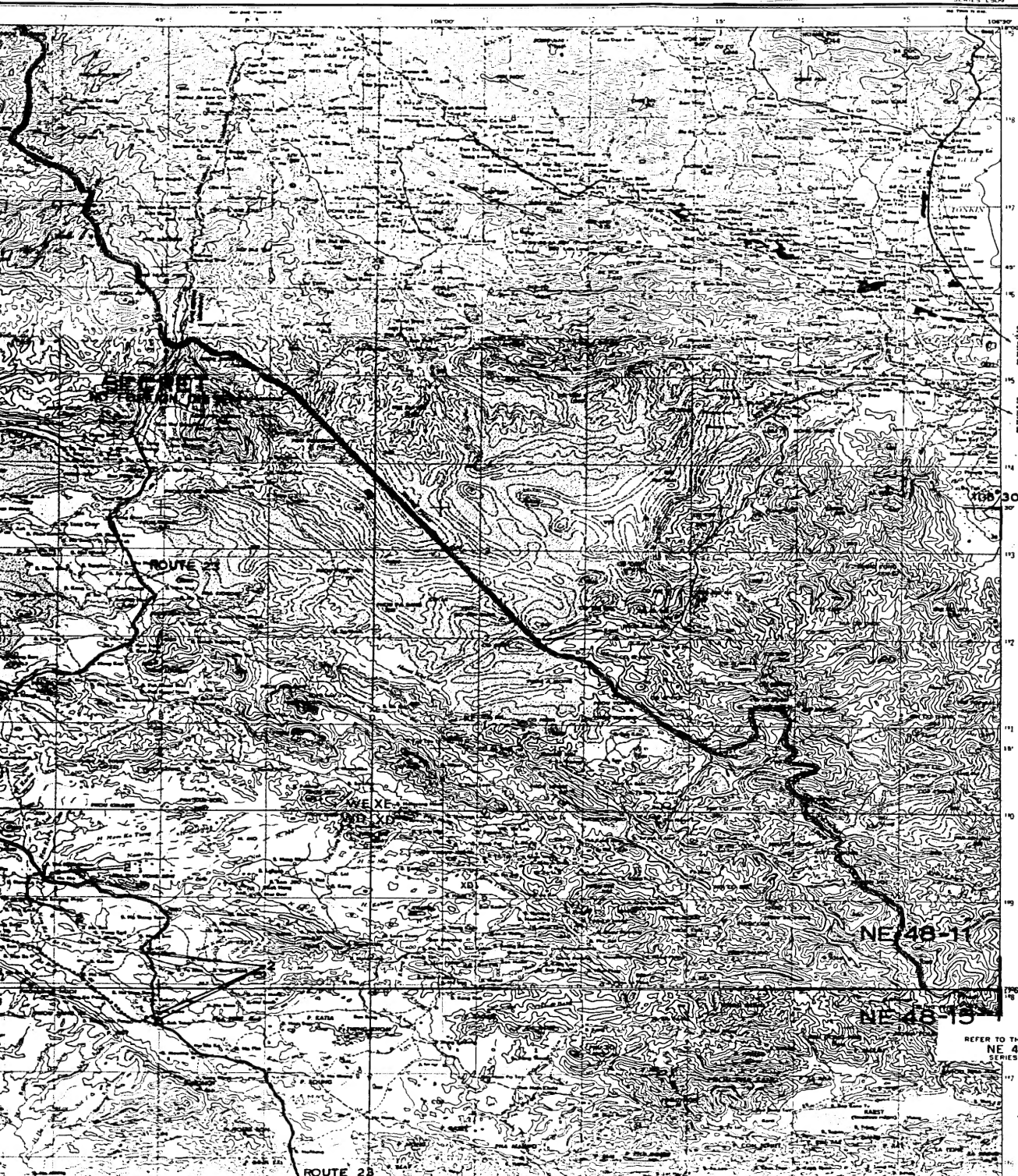
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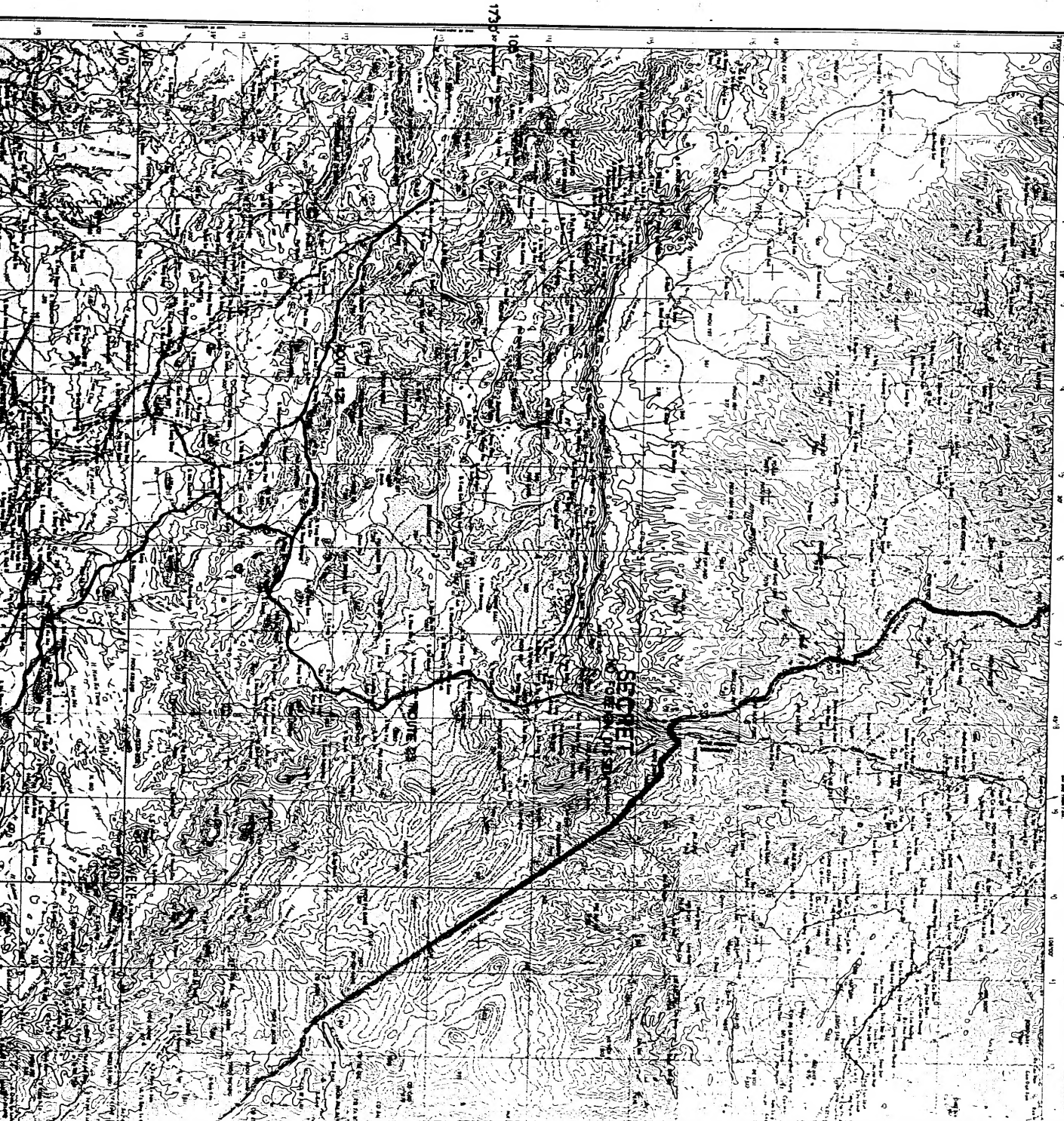
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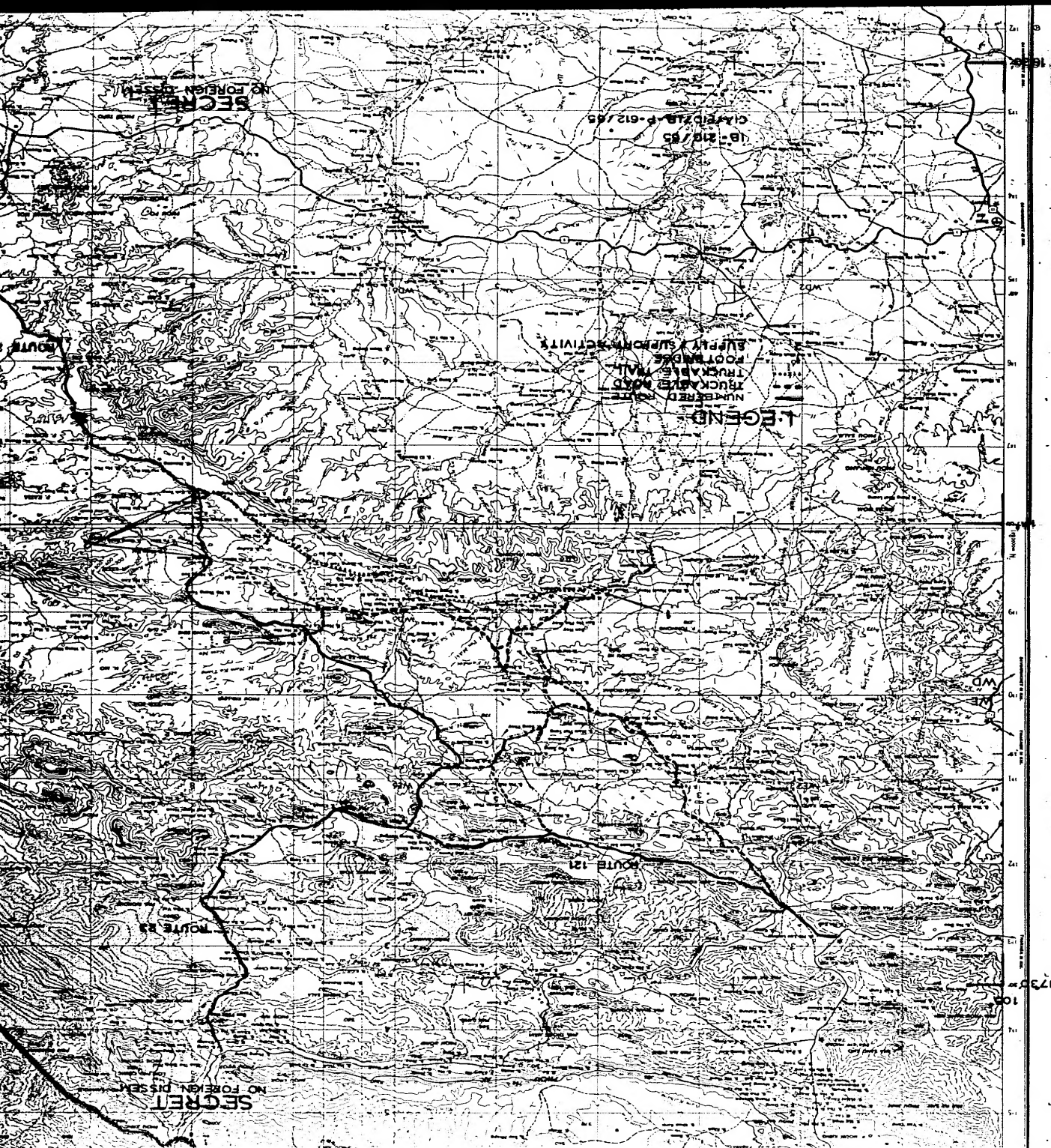
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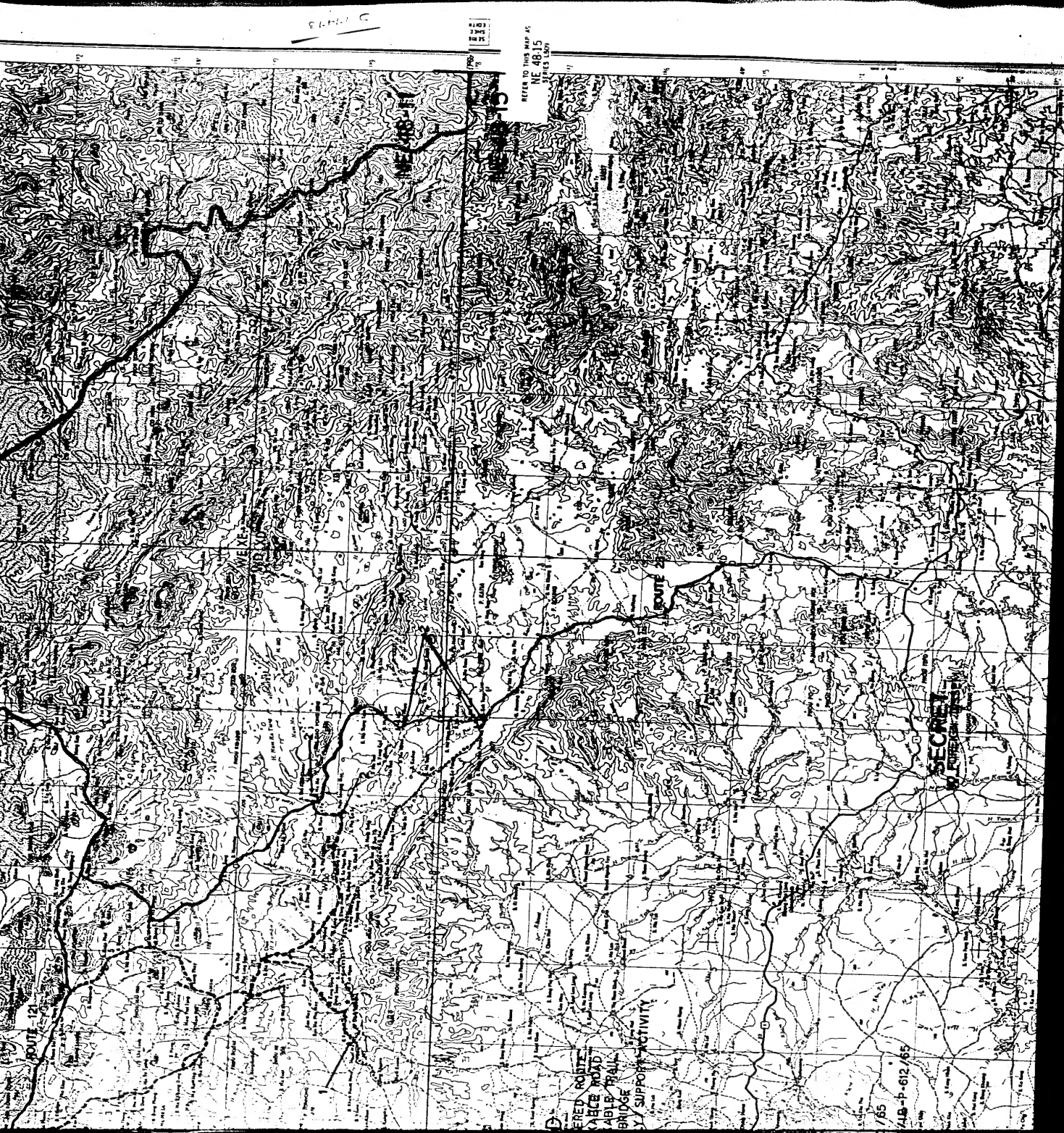
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